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District 8 Legislators Offer Proclamation Celebrating Central Arizona College for NJCAA Baseball National Championship

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX – Representative T.J. Shope (R-8), Representative David Cook (R-8), and Senator Frank Pratt (R-8) offered a proclamation today in recognition of the Central Arizona College Vaqueros for winning their third NJCAA baseball national title last Saturday. Central Arizona College is located in Coolidge, Arizona and has 5 campuses across Pinal County.

The Vaqueros defeated Iowa Western College 13-8 to win the 2019 NJCAA Division I championship.

“As an alum of Central Arizona College, I’m thrilled to congratulate my alma mater on the 2019 NJCAA baseball national championship,” said Representative T.J. Shope.

“These tremendous athletes have brought a win home for Pinal County, a win for rural Arizona, and a win for the state of Arizona,” said Representative David Cook.

“Having won a national title in 1976, 2002, and now 2019, I am proud to say that the Central Arizona College Vaqueros continue to make Pinal County proud,” said Senator Frank Pratt.

Text of the proclamation is below.

Whereas, the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Baseball World Series brings together the best athletes in two-year college baseball to compete for the national title; and

Whereas, on June 1, 2019, the Central Arizona College Vaqueros defeated Iowa Western College 13-8 to win the 2019 NJCAA Division I championship, the third national championship for the Vaqueros baseball team; and

Whereas, the Vaqueros averaged 10.8 runs throughout its six-game championship series and scored in double digits in eight of the team's final nine games of the season; and

Whereas, Central Arizona College's baseball team completed their 2019 campaign with a 50-20 record, the program's first 50-win season since 2011 and won 19 of their final 21 contests; and

Whereas, the Vaqueros won their first national baseball title in 1976 and their second title in 2002; and

Whereas, Central Arizona College is located in Coolidge, Arizona and has 5 total campuses across Pinal County.

Therefore, Representatives T.J Shope and David Cook and Senator Frank Pratt of Legislative District 8, invite the Legislature of the State of Arizona to join us in celebrating the victory of the Central Arizona College Vaqueros in their third NJCAA national baseball title, bringing pride and honor to Pinal County and the state of Arizona.

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